

J/CCSPAT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUSTIN, TX
February 22, 2007

Members Present

Sherrie Lang
Debbie Kelley
Marie Light
John Baker
Mike Farnell
Vickie Geisel
Gaynelle Hayes
Kathy Kelley
Cindy McAlister
Jean Metcalf
Mary Page
Arnold Ramirez
Eddie Sandoval
Richard Vela
Lola Redmond

Members Absent

LaRonda Ashford
Carolyn Beck
Mike Scott
Don Stafford

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 am by Sherrie Lang, President. Sherrie welcomed everyone and had the board members introduce themselves.

Roll Call

Marie Light, secretary, called the roll.

Minutes

The minutes were read and corrected. Gaynelle moved to accept them and Arnold seconded them. Motion passed.

Financial Report

John Baker, treasurer, gave and explained the financial report. The total balance as of Feb. 22, 2007 is \$41,465.68.

There was a discussion on refunds and how to simplify the registration form to avoid so many refunds. One suggestion was to send a letter to those who pay their membership before the conference telling them not to pay for their membership again. It will also be put on the website.

It was decided to let Eddie revise the registration form for the 2007 conference.

Committee Reports

Membership – John Bicknell is no longer on the board and he had given Vickie a list of schools and members. Sherrie asked for a volunteer to do membership and Richard Vela volunteered.

Historian – There are pictures on a cd from the 2006 conference to be put on the website. Kathy Kelley had made a J/CCSPAT flyer and wanted to know what to do with it. Suggestions were to send it to community colleges to be put on their bulletin boards. There was a discussion on how to get it to them and Debbie said she would check on it. Also, we'll look for graduate schools with counseling degrees to send flyers to.

Awards – Eddie had nothing to report, but said he would like to pass it on because of the conference planning. Debbie Kelley volunteered to do it.

Research – LaRonda was absent. No report.

Legislative – This was open and Gaynelle volunteered to head it up.

Professional Development – Arnold had nothing new. He will work with Eddie on the conference. Also he has to send in the \$50.00 for the LPC renewal. Gaynelle asked if there was anything else for LPCs besides CEUs. Eddie said there is a new exam being offered now.

Old Business

Website – Vickie reported that she has had no response from Jody when she sent information. She also contacted Carmen but had no response yet. Eddie had the phone number and Vickie called and got his new email address.

Scholarships – Sherrie read a thank you note from one of the winners, Gloria, that was faxed to her from Carmen. Carmen will also forward the newsletter from Gloria's campus.

2006 Conference – Vickie said they were under budget by about \$900.00. Everyone commented that the conference was excellent. About 104 attended. Kathy Kelley gave a cd of the pictures from the conference to Vickie and one to Sherrie.

2007 Conference – Eddie reported that there are four campuses involved in the conference. He has workers and directors from each campus to help. LPCs can earn as much as 15.5 CEUs. He is undecided about an Ethics workshop or one on Myers Briggs. He also has some dance lessons scheduled. He asked the board members for suggestions on activities, entertainment, possibly a museum visit, and food. The conference will be held at the Green Oaks Hotel on October 17, 18, and 19. He also asked for suggestions for the presidents' panel. Gaynelle, Sherrie, and Lola all gave him names. He said he will use the same format as TJC used. Some of the suggestions were: career counseling session, on-line tutoring, something on learning disabilities, retention, and something specifically for advisors. Also, the board members should supply door prizes. The information will go on the website when it is finalized at the June board meeting.

2008 Conference – Kathy Kelley Said that HCC agreed to host the 2008 J/CCSPAT conference with the support of Galveston College.

Retiree Fees – Lola is still looking into it.

Travel reimbursement – Travel reimbursement for board members is only for the June board meeting and not for the February one or the annual conference. A discussion followed about paying travel for the February meeting as well as the June meeting. Sherrie said we will make a decision at the June board meeting about paying for travel for next February. Meanwhile, all board members will research it and send their input to either John Baker or Marie Light who will then compile the results and email it to the board members. Kathy Kelley suggested that larger schools might be able to fund travel better and that could affect board members from smaller colleges participating. Debbie asked about the by-laws and what it says. Sherrie said nothing is mentioned about travel in the by-laws. Marie will send the board members a reminder about their input for travel reimbursement.

New Business

Regional Workshops – Vickie asked for a \$600.00 supplement to fund a workshop on Sensitivity Training. She said it will be limited to 24 participants and there will be LPC credit for it. She explained what it will be about and passed around a flyer about it. Gaynelle moved that we do it and Lola seconded the motion. It passed.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 28, 2007. Sherrie will email the board members with the location.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Marie Light, Secretary